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Meeting of Corn Canners

In preparation for corn standards hearings to be conducted by the Food and Drug Administration, canner representatives from all of the corn-canning areas will meet at Association headquarters in Washington March 10-11.

New Wage-Hour Proposal Being Readied for House

The House Committee on Education and Labor late yesterday was considering a new bill, H. R. 3190, introduced by Chairman Lesinski, as the basis for recommendation to the House for amendment of the Fair Labor Standards Act. The new bill would reduce the industry's seasonal overtime exemption to one 14-week period of 10 hours a day or 50 hours a week, subject to determination by the Secretary of Labor; would raise the minimum wage to 75 cents; and would require payment of the minimum wage to employees of farm enterprises that employed in excess of 5,000 man-days of hired labor during the preceding calendar year.

Machinery and Supplymen Contribute To N.C.A. Buildings Fund

Contributions and pledges to the N.C.A. Buildings program on the part of 56 firms in the canning machinery and supplies field totaled $469,512.04 on March 1, 1949.

The buildings program calls for an outlay of $1,500,000. The contributions and pledges so far made by the various suppliers, when added to Association funds, bring the total to date to $1,271,000. An additional $100,000 to assist in equipping the laboratories is expected from a special group. Thus, approximately $130,000 in contributions is needed to complete the commitment of $1,500,000 necessary to finance the new buildings in Washington, D. C., and Berkeley, Calif.

The 56 firms who thus far have generously advanced the program to modernize the research facilities of the Association are listed on page 134.

On Other Pages

Canners' stocks and shipments of four vegetables and five fruits, as compiled by the Association's Division of Statistics, are reported on page 130.

Price Reductions Foreseen In Containers and Packages

Prices of containers and packages are expected to remain fairly stable in the first half of this year, but some price reductions are foreseen during the remaining half, according to a Field Office survey reported by the Department of Commerce.

The Department's quarterly "Containers and Packaging Industry Report" just issued states that the consensus of opinion among users and manufacturers is that a buyers' market is developing in this industry.

The raw materials outlook for the production of all types of containers is generally good. About the same quantity of steel consumed by the indus-

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Canners Share Responsibility To Conduct Businesses So As To Help Combat Economic Unrest, McGovern Says

Best Public Relations Program Consists of Fair Dealings, Utah Canners Told

It is the duty of canners to challenge the current attack on the American free enterprise system that is coming from world-wide spokesmen of regimented economies, John F. McGovern told the 37th annual convention of the Utah Canners Association today in his first public appearance as N.C.A. President.

"We all have taken note," Mr. McGovern said, "of the world-wide trend to the left since the end of the war. Characterized presently by the Cold War with Russia and Moscow's avowed intention of communizing the world, we are witnessing the efforts of Marxists to promote confusion and misery, delay reconstruction of war-torn Europe, prevent consummation of peace treaties.

"We know that the strategy behind this effort involves, in addition to fostering and preserving present misery and confusion, the discrediting, undermining, and misrepresenting of the system of free competitive enterprise—our system—the so-called capitalistic system."

Processors of food products play an important and necessary part in the economy of the country, Mr. McGovern said, and in the present state of world affairs, an important role of shaping the course of human experience throughout the world.

"As important components in our free economic system we canners have

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"Research Notes"

The March 1 issue of "Research Notes," prepared by the Association's Raw Products Bureau, is ready for distribution to members upon request. It contains information appearing in recent issues of scientific journals, state and federal experiment station bulletins and circulars on such subjects as comparative vitamin levels in snap beans; factors affecting quality and nutritive value of lima beans; effect of wax sprays on Montmorency cherries; how tomato fruits are infected with anthracnose and tomato anthracnose loss. Members desiring copies of this publication should direct a request to the Raw Products Bureau.

STATISTICS

Canned Foods Consumption

San Francisco families were found in a recent survey to have consumed a half more canned fruits and vegetables than households in Birmingham, Ala. Families with incomes of over $6,000 also were found to have used half again as much "prepared or partially prepared dishes and soups" as families of the $2,000-$3,000 group. The San Francisco survey was one of a series conducted by the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which already has studied eating habits in Birmingham and Minneapolis-St. Paul.

Canners' Fruit and Vegetable Stocks and Shipments

Canners' stocks and shipments of canned corn, lima beans, peas, tomato juice, apricots, red pitted cherries, sweet cherries, peaches, and pears have been compiled by the Association's Division of Statistics as of February 1.

The California and Washington-Oregon pack and stocks of apricots, sweet cherries, peaches, and pears were compiled by the Canners League of California and the Northwest Canners Association, respectively.

Canned Lima Beans

Canner stocks of canned lima beans on February 1, 1949, totaled 635,313 actual cases, compared with 320,657 cases held by canners at the same time a year ago.

On the basis of 24/2's the February 1, 1949, stocks amounted to 588,000 cases as compared with 302,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Canner Stocks and Shipments Canned Lima Beans

	1947–48	1948–49
	(actual cases)	
Carryover	4,543	.....
Pack	2,153,772	2,598,980
Supply	2,158,315	2,598,980
Canner stocks, Feb. 1	320,657	635,313
Shipments, Aug. 1 to Feb. 1	1,837,658	1,963,667

Canned Sweet Corn

Movement of canned sweet corn during January was 44 percent greater than the movement during the same month a year ago and reduced stocks in canners' hands to 15,228,023 actual cases by February 1. February 1, 1948, stocks totaled 6,987,951 cases.

On the basis of 24/2's, February 1, 1949, stocks amounted to 13,855,000 cases compared with 6,534,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Corn

	1947–48	1948–49
	(actual cases)	
Carryover, Aug. 1	272,039	194,469
Pack	27,571,861	34,410,040
Total supply	27,843,900	34,604,509
Feb. 1 stocks	6,987,951	15,228,023
Shipments during Jan.	1,583,809	2,286,146
Shipments, Aug. 1 to Feb. 1	20,855,949	19,376,486

Canned Peas

Stocks of 12,590,200 actual cases of canned peas in canners' hands February 1, 1949, were about 21 percent less than February 1, 1948, stocks of 15,937,284 cases.

Canner shipments during January, 1949, were 12 percent greater than shipments during January, 1948.

February 1, 1949 stocks on the basis of 24/2's amounted to 11,936,000 cases compared with 15,543,000 cases in February, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Peas

	1947–48	1948–49
	(actual cases)	
Carryover, June 1	4,572,441	7,809,928
Pack	33,995,779	24,446,054
Total supply	38,568,220	32,225,982
Feb. 1 stocks	15,937,284	12,590,200
Shipments during Jan.	2,043,309	2,290,847
Shipments, June 1 to Feb. 1	22,630,936	19,665,782

Canned Tomato Juice

February 1, 1949, canner stocks of canned tomato juice amounted to 14,409,999 actual cases, or about 30 percent more than the 11,102,255 actual cases in canners' hands February 1, 1948.

Canner shipments of 1,888,871 cases during January, 1949, were about 35 percent greater than during the same month a year ago.

Canner Stocks and Shipments Tomato Juice

	1947–48	1948–49
	(actual cases)	
Carryover, July 1	5,029,639	3,578,479
Pack	16,880,277	23,701,199
Total supply	21,909,916	27,279,678
Feb. 1 stocks	11,102,255	14,409,999
Shipments during Jan.	1,404,269	1,888,871
Shipments, July 1 to Feb. 1	10,807,661	12,869,679

Canned Red Pitted Cherries

Canner stocks of canned red pitted cherries February 1, 1949, amounted to 449,251 actual cases, compared with 182,470 actual cases held by canners February 1 a year ago.

Canner shipments of 192,993 cases during January, 1949, compare with 46,955 cases shipped by canners in January, 1948.

Red Pitted Cherry Stocks and Shipments

	1948–49
	(actual cases)
Pack	3,552,210
Feb. 1, stocks	449,251
Shipments during Jan.	192,993
Shipments, July 1 to Feb. 1	3,102,959

Canned Sweet Cherries

Canned sweet cherry stocks in canners' hands amounted to 215,082 actual cases compared with stocks of 98,258 cases at the same time a year ago.

Shipments of 31,827 cases from canners' stocks during January, 1949, compare with 10,136 cases shipped during January, 1948.

On the basis of 24/2½'s, the February 1, 1949, canner stocks amounted to 186,000 cases, as compared with 91,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Sweet Cherries

	1948–49
	(actual cases)
Carryover, June 1	24,549
Pack	969,932
Total supply	994,481
Feb. 1, stocks	215,082
Shipments during Jan.	31,827
Shipments, June 1 to Feb. 1	779,399

Canned Apricots

February 1, 1949, canner stocks of canned apricots amounted to 2,827,348 actual cases as compared with 1,279,381 actual cases February 1, 1948.

Canner shipments of 190,158 cases during January, 1949, were about 26 percent greater than during the same period a year ago, when canners shipped 151,397 cases.

On the basis of 24/2½'s the February 1, 1949, canner stocks amounted to 2,736,000 cases, as compared with 1,266,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Apricots

	1948–49
	(actual cases)
Carryover, June 1	714,662
Pack	4,985,612
Total supply	5,700,274
Feb. 1, stocks	2,827,348
Shipments during Jan.	190,158
Shipments, June 1 to Feb. 1	2,872,926

Canned Peaches

Canner stocks of canned peaches, February 1, 1949, amounted to 8,603,219 actual cases compared with 5,330,951 cases February 1, 1948.

Canner shipments of 1,143,642 cases during January, 1949, were 30 percent greater than shipments during

the same period a year ago, which amounted to 872,677 cases.

On the basis of 24/2½'s, the February 1, 1949 canner stocks (clings and freestones combined) amounted to 8,375,000 cases as compared with 5,266,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Peaches

	1948–49 (actual cases)
Carryover, June 1	1,927,817
Pack	18,189,115
Total supply	20,116,932
Feb. 1, stocks	8,603,219
Shipments during Jan.	1,143,642
Shipments, June 1 to Feb. 1	11,513,713

Canned Pears

February 1, 1949, canner stocks of canned pears totaled 2,339,493 actual cases or about 15 percent more than the 2,039,905 cases in canners' hands a year ago.

Canner shipments during January amounted to 351,383 actual cases, which was about 10 percent less than shipments during January, 1948.

On the basis of 24/2½'s, the February 1, 1949, canner stocks amounted to 2,135,000 cases as compared with 2,000,000 cases on February 1, 1948.

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Pears

	1948–49 (actual cases)
Carryover, June 1	801,411
Pack	4,141,729
Total supply	4,943,140
Feb. 1, stocks	2,339,493
Shipments during Jan.	351,383
Shipments, June 1 to Feb. 1	2,603,647

Canned Baby Food Statistics

Details of the canned baby food supply, stock and shipment situation, as reported by the Association's Division of Statistics, are presented in the following table:

Supply, Stocks and Shipments Canned Baby Food

	1948	1949 (thousands of dozens)
Canner stocks, Jan. 1	49,687	53,782
Pack, January	9,463	10,112
Supply	59,150	63,894
Feb. 1 canner stocks	47,575	53,427
Canner shipments, Jan.	11,575	10,467

1949 Spinach Acreage

Spinach processors in California and Texas have in mind a total of 12,060 acres for canning and freezing in 1949, according to a recent report of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. This exceeds the 1948 planted acreage of 9,860 acres by 22 percent but is 20 percent less than the 1938-47 average of 15,160 acres.

The 6,000 acres intended in Texas for 1949 exceeds the 1948 plantings by a third and the average acreage by an eighth. While the acreage intended for canning and freezing in California is 13 percent above the 1948 plantings, it falls short of the average acreage for the State by about 39 percent, BAE said.

Wholesale Distributor Stocks Of 33 Canned Foods Lower

Wholesale distributors' stocks, including stocks in warehouses of retail food chains, were generally lower on 33 canned food items at the close of 1948 than stocks reported on hand a year ago, according to a recent release by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

Vegetables—With the exception of lima beans, which showed an increase of 32 percent, stocks of the 15 vegetables reported decreased from 8 per cent for asparagus to 32 percent for tomato catsup.

Fruits—Each of the 12 fruits reported, except pineapple, showed lower stocks on December 31, 1948, than the previous year, ranging from a 1 percent decrease for cherries to a 38 percent decrease for pears.

Fruit Juices—Stocks of each of the 6 fruit juices reported, except pineapple juice, decreased. The decreases ranged from 45 percent in citrus blend to 32 percent in tomato juice.

Details of this report are presented in the following table:

WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTORS' STOCKS OF CANNED GOODS

(Including warehouses of retail food chains)

	Smaller than No. 2	No. 2	No. 2½	No. 10	Other	Total	Dec. 31, 1947
			(Thousands of actual cases)				
VEGETABLES							
Beans, green and wax	289	2,341	126	642	...	3,398	3,777
Corn	3,019	4,216	.....	599	47	7,881	9,337
Peas	2,493	4,201	14	538	22	7,268	9,775
Tomatoes	487	3,371	1,009	776	23	5,666	7,533
Asparagus	391	386	4	54	6	841	920
Beans, lima	249	678	5	98	2	1,032*	781
Beets	233	535	80	227	3	1,078	1,389
Carrots	113	173	1	143	1	431	559
Pumpkin and squash	98	100	445	112	1	756	1,027
Sauerkraut	24	143	338	72	...	577	814
Spinach	48	278	198	107	1	632	940
Sweetpotatoes	51	110	189	49	73	472	NA
Tomato catsup and chili sauce	2,103	101	5	368	13	2,590	3,804
Tomato pulp and puree	359	50	121	485	...	1,015	1,337
Tomato sauce	727	29	14	46	...	816	1,037
FRUITS							
Apricots	267	37	674	261	4	1,243	1,770
Mixed fruits [1]	899	75	893	193	21	2,081	2,478
Peaches	935	189	3,133	652	45	4,974	6,697
Pears	184	66	528	134	4	916	1,485
Pineapple	371	987	263	175	5	1,801*	907
Apples and crabapples	54	301	37	490	6	888	1,014
Applesauce	83	445	3	112	1	644	912
Cherries, red sour	17	438	2	190	...	647	652
Cherries, other	173	86	76	33	7	375	379
Cranberries and sauce	383	28	.....	14	5	430	NA
Grapefruit segments	37	357	2	3	9	408	NA
Plums and prunes	114	48	318	129	8	617	NA
JUICES			No. 3 cyl.				
Apple and sweet cider	35	33	44	7	70	189	NA
Tomato [2]	479	1,106	1,370	238	109	3,302	4,886
Grapefruit	55	456	676	25	28	1,240	1,787
Orange	119	432	734	17	39	1,341	1,405
Citrus blend	22	284	353	5	14	678	709
Pineapple	138	705	433	19	18	1,313*	665

[1] Includes fruit cocktail, fruits for salad, mixed fruits (except citrus); [2] Includes vegetable juice combinations containing at least 70 percent tomato juice; NA Not available; * Subject to revision.

Citrus Concentrate Standards

Proposed United States standards for grades of frozen concentrated fresh orange juice to be issued by the Production and Marketing Administration, USDA, are published in the *Federal Register* of March 1.

Transportation Research

More active participation in transportation research by industry is recommended by the Transportation Advisory Committee under the Research and Marketing Act in its report on new work on transportation problems.

PERSONNEL

Association Officers

Ozark Canners Association

Officers of the Ozark Canners Association elected at the association's convention recently are:

President—Grover Howard, Baron Canning Co., Westville, Okla.; vice president—Ryland Thomas, Thomas and Drake Canning Co., Haskell, Okla.; and secretary-treasurer—F. R. Spurgin, Fayetteville, Ark. (reelected).

Tennessee-Kentucky Canners Association

Officers of the Tennessee-Kentucky Canners Association elected at the association's convention recently are:

President—Shell R. Clevenger, Bush Bros. and Co., Dandridge, Tenn.; vice president—William Martin, American Syrup and Pres. Co., Nashville, Tenn.; secretary-treasurer—C. Hays Hollar, Hollar Canning Co., Newbern, Tenn. (reelected).

Northwest Packers and Growers, Inc.

Officers of the Northwest Packers and Growers, Inc., elected at the annual meeting of the membership recently are:

President—Edward I. Pitkin, Eugene Fruit Growers Association, Eugene, Ore.; vice president—Melvin J. Millett, Reid Murdoch & Co., Salem, Ore. (reelected), and secretary-treasurer—William E. Yeomans, Portland, Ore. (reelected).

Canadian Food Processors Association

Officers of the Canadian Food Processors Association, in which a number of American canners hold membership, elected at the association's annual meeting recently are:

President—Paul Bienvenu, Catelli Food Products, Ltd., Montreal; first vice president—E. M. Smart, Smart Bros., Ltd., Collingwood, Ont.; second vice president—F. D. Mathers, Westminster Canners, Ltd., New Westminster, B. C.; treasurer—H. B. Daboll, Niagara Glen Products, Ltd., Ridgeville, Ont.; and secretary-manager—P. R. Robinson, Ottawa (reelected).

A. A. Brock Joins R&MA Group

Anson A. Brock, director of California's State Department of Agriculture for 10 years, has been appointed a member of the National Advisory Committee under the Research and Marketing Act.

Gen. Feldman Named QMG

Maj. Gen. Herman Feldman, who as Chief of the Supply Division exercised direct control over the QMC Subsistence Branch and the QMC Purchasing Offices, has been appointed Quartermaster General of the Army.

He has held the rank of general since February, 1946, when he was named Assistant to the Quartermaster General, then Maj. Gen. T. B. Larkin. General Feldman enlisted in the Army 42 years ago.

General Larkin has been promoted to Lieutenant General and appointed Director of the Logistics Division in the General Staff.

CONGRESS

ECA Fruit Subsidies

Participating countries could receive up to $100,000,000 for the purchase of fruits and fruit products found by the Secretary of Agriculture to be surplus to domestic requirements, under terms of a proposal introduced by Senator Magnuson (Wash.) on behalf of himself and Senators Aiken (Vt.), Cordon (Ore.), Morse (Ore.), Miller (Idaho), Taylor (Idaho), Cain (Wash.), Downey (Calif.) and Knowland (Calif.).

Their proposal is in the form of an amendment to the bill, S. 833, to amend the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948, on which the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations is conducting hearings. The amendment would authorize the appropriation of not to exceed $100,000,000 as grants-in-aid "for the purchase of perennial horticultural commodities, or products thereof, or classes, types, or specifications thereof . . ." for the fiscal year 1951. If the amendment is approved by the Congress, the money would have to be appropriated by later action to implement such a purchase program.

Stream Pollution

Amounts paid during a taxable year for the construction plants and treatment of industrial waste could be deducted from income tax during the years 1949-54 inclusive, under provisions of a bill, S. 1118, introduced February 27 by Senator Wiley (Wis.). A companion bill, H. R. 1343, introduced by Representative Byrnes (Wis.), is pending before the House Committee on Ways and Means.

These two measures are similar to bills presented in the past two Congresses. Clarifying amendments to these bills were urged by N.C.A. at hearings before the House Ways and Means Committee during the 80th Congress.

Delivered Pricing

The House Committee on the Judiciary on March 1 voted to report H. R. 2222, which would provide a two-year moratorium with respect to the application of certain antitrust laws to individual, good-faith delivered price systems and freight absorption practices. The bill was amended by the committee to provide a moratorium until July 1, 1950, and also provides that the provisions should not apply to any proceeding pending in Federal courts on March 1, 1949.

The Senate on the same day discharged the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce from consideration of a companion bill, S. 1008, and the Johnson bill, S. 236, and rereferred them to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

An analysis of the effect of these Congressional actions on the current controversy as to the legality of delivered pricing, freight absorption and the meaning of good faith will be published in the INFORMATION LETTER.

Alaskan Shipping

The authority of the Maritime Commission to sell, charter and operate war-built vessels was continued to June 30, 1949, P. L. 12.

REORGANIZATION

Hoover Commission Report

A task force of the Hoover Commission studying the National Security Organization this week recommended standardization in procurement and reported a weight of evidence against the formation, at this time, of a single, centralized procurement agency for the armed services.

The Hoover Commission did not comment on these recommendations in its report to Congress.

The task force said that economies might be achieved through preparation and use of "common supply catalogs of material" and through the "development of economical, uniform packaging and warehousing procedures."

RAW PRODUCTS

Grasshopper Plagues Forecast

Surveys recently completed by entomologists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and cooperating agencies indicate that outbreaks of the pests may occur during 1949 in many localities from Michigan to California and Texas to Canada. Infestations are expected to be especially severe in eastern Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado, in western Nebraska and Kansas, and in Texas. Outbreaks of less intensity may occur, however, in nearly every state west of the Mississippi River, except in the far Northwest, according to these entomologists. Spots of considerable infestation have developed in irrigated sections of Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and California. Egg beds of a single species cover more than 100,000 acres in northwestern Nevada and adjacent areas of Oregon and California. This species has only recently reached areas of cultivation, after a long history of migration in central Nevada where it has caused little agricultural damage.

Increases in grasshopper abundance have been noticed by the entomologists since 1947. The last big hopper year was 1940. In the past plagues of these pests have usually been the worst about every 10 years.

Containers and Packages

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try in 1948 will be available this year, but some manufacturers may not be able to obtain all of the sheet steel and nails they need, according to the report.

Supplies of tin, lead and aluminum, including foil, are still fairly tight but paper and paperboard, lumber and raw materials for glass production will become increasingly plentiful during the year.

Current production and shipments of most categories of paper and paperboard containers is at near peak levels and demand is being readily met.

Strong demand for practically all types of metal containers shows definite signs of easing. Current orders are being readily filled in all categories except for a relatively few items including fluid milk shipping containers and beer cans, the report says.

Glass containers are plentiful and the production outlook for the first half of this year appears to be fairly satisfactory. Demand is not too strong at present but it is expected to improve with the coming of spring.

Demand for wooden containers during the winter has been below the like period last year with production declines being reported from most areas. The general outlook for this segment of the container industry is not good so long as high production costs continue, according to the report. Production and demand for wooden containers in the Florida area has increased recently because of the heavy citrus crop and better marketing prospects resulting from damage to California fruit caused by recent snow storms.

Sales of textile bags are below previous years and prospects for improvement are not too good for the remainder of 1949.

A digest of container conditions and trends in various regions of the United States, based upon reports from field offices of the Department of Commerce, is included in the report.

The Containers and Packaging Industry Report is available for 60 cents a year from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

DEATHS

Neal S. Sells

The death of Neal S. Sells, past president of the Canning Machinery & Supplies Association and vice president of the Food Machinery Corporation, reported in last week's INFORMATION LETTER, removes from the canning industry scene one of the outstanding and industrious machinery and trade association executives in canning history.

During his two-year term of service as C.M.&S.A. president, and previously as a director and vice president of that group, Mr. Sells was most cooperative with the officers and staff of the National Canners Association in all the activities contingent on holding successful joint annual conventions and machinery exhibits. He also was a "gold" member of the Old Guard Society of the canning industry.

Mr. Sells attended the recent Atlantic City Convention and contracted a cold about a week after his return to Hoopeston, Ill. On February 11 he and Mrs. Sells went to their Miami, Fla., home and were there just a week prior to his passing on February 19, at the age of 56. A broken blood vessel was the cause of death.

Born in Toronto, Canada, in 1892, he spent his early life in Buffalo. His father, William H. Sells, was the inventor of the first automatic corn husker and had played a leading part in the development of corn canning equipment. After schooling in Buffalo, Neal Sells entered his father's Peerless Corn Husker business in 1912 where he served until 1923 as factory helper, clerk, and office manager. It was in 1923 that the firm purchased the plant and interests of the Sprague Canning Machinery Company of Hoopeston, Ill., and operated it under the name of Sprague-Sells Corporation. Neal Sells' two brothers—Ogden and the late Millar Sells—were associated with him in this enterprise.

In 1928 the interests of Sprague-Sells Corporation and the Anderson Barngrover Manufacturing Company of San Jose, Calif., were acquired by the John Bean Manufacturing Company of San Jose, and Food Machinery Corporation was formed.

At the time of his death, Mr. Sells was vice president of the Food Machinery and Chemical Corporation and manager of the Sprague-Sells Division at Hoopeston, Ill.

Angelo J. Lucido

Angelo J. Lucido, 50, head of the San Carlos Canning Co., Monterey, Calif., died suddenly in a hotel room in San Francisco January 23.

Surviving are his wife, Annette, two daughters, Sandra and Joan, and three sons, Frank, Bartola, and Angelo, Jr.

Ivan C. Morgan

Ivan C. Morgan, 68, principal owner and operator of the Morgan Packing Co., died at Louisville, Ky., February 26.

A power in the canning industry, Mr. Morgan's company operated plants at Austin, Scottsburg, Brownston, Columbus, Edinburg, and Franklin, Ind. He had been a director of the Western Canners Association and a former president of the Indiana Canners Association.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Fern Harrod Morgan, one son, Ivan H. Morgan, two daughters, Mrs. T. N. Lyons and Dr. Margaret M. Renard, and his mother, Mrs. Mary Morgan.

Non-Canner Contributors To N.C.A. Buildings Fund

Following is a list of the 56 firms who thus far have generously advanced the program to modernize the research facilities of the Association:

From Box Manufacturers—$21,106.04.

Container Corporation of America, Gaylord Container Corporation, Inland Container Corporation, Kieckhefer Container Co., F. J. Kress Box Company, Planters Manufacturing Co., Inc., and Union Bag & Paper Corporation.

Label Manufacturers—$17,550.

G. A. Ackermann Printing Co., Inc., The Calvert Lithographing Co., Commercial Printers, Inc., H. S. Crocker Co., Inc., Forbes Lithograph Co., Gamse Lithographing Co., Hammer Lithographing Corp., Michigan Lithographing Co., Muirson Label Co., Inc., Multi-Colortype Co., The Nevins-Church Press, Piedmont Label Co., Inc., Ridgeway Lithograph Co., Rossotti Lithographing Co., Inc., Schmidt Lithograph Co., Simpson & Doeller Company, Stecher-Traung Lithograph Corp., and U. S. Printing & Lithograph.

Container and Closure Manufacturers—$393,000.

American Can Company, Armstrong Cork Co., Ball Bros. Co., Inc., Continental Can Company, Crown Can Co., Crown Cork and Seal Co., Hazel-Atlas Glass Co., Heekin Can Co., Latchford-Marble Glass Co., Owens-Illinois Glass Co., and The White Cap Co.

Machinery Manufacturers—$29,550.

Barry-Wehmiller Machine Co., Burt Machine Co., J. L. Ferguson Co., Food Machinery and Chemical Corp., Frank Hamechek Machine Co., Horix Manufacturing Co., Lee Metal Products Co., Inc., Scott Viner Co., Tri-Clover Machine Co., U. S. Bottlers Machine Co., and Waukesha Foundry Co.

Miscellaneous Suppliers—$8,306.

Associated Seed Growers, Inc., Dewey & Almy Chemical Co., The Diversey Corp., Gallatin Valley Seed Co., Lawrence Warehouse Co., Rogers Bros. Seed Co., Inc., Wm. J. Stange Co., Vance Publishing Co., and Lansing B. Warner, Inc.

A complete list of contributors will be published when the buildings program is finalized.

Tidewater Canners of Virginia

The annual meeting of the Tidewater Canners Association of Virginia, Inc., will be held May 25 at The Tides Inn, Irvington, Va., it has been announced by Robert A. Harris, Jr., secretary.

Free Enterprise System

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a duty and a peculiar opportunity to combat in our own communities, at least, this assault upon our American way of life. We can do this by operating our business in an honest, ethical manner, with an eye to our duty as good American citizens.

"Our job is to prove the merit and justification of our system by our actions and business behavior and morality," the canning industry leader asserted. "As our free enterprise system is attacked, and more and more people throughout the world, including our own country, are moved to doubts of its worth as a result of this libel and misrepresentation we must increasingly take stock of our own performance to see how we have behaved businesswise," he said.

"Have we to the best of our ability been attentive to the well-being of our employees by providing good working conditions and fair wages and treating them as human beings with dignity and laudable aspirations, and not as commodities and instruments necessary in the canning operation?

"Have we as canners and potent influences in our respective communities taken the pains or the time to inform our employees of the whys and wherefores of company policies and actions? They have a stake in them and ought to be informed. Have we participated in worthy community activities to the extent we should? Have we bothered to ascertain and interpret the public's attitudes and reactions toward us and consider these public opinion forces in shaping our industry policies?

"If we are not doing these things we are shirking our responsibilities to ourselves and to the public, and by public I mean employees, consumers, stockholders, suppliers—everybody.

"This is the kind of program every industry, every business in America, should foster and follow if our way of life is to be preserved."

Also representing the N.C.A. on the Utah canners' convention program, Forrest P. Heaton, Director of the Claims Division, described the origin, development and current operation of the Claims Service.

Copies of a press release highlighting President McGovern's address were sent to six dailies, six weeklies and one bi-weekly in Utah, and to regional offices of the national newspaper wire services, as well as to 31 trade papers. Copies also were made available for distribution to the working press covering the Utah meeting.

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